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Germany; Nathan Solomon, Bucarest, Roumania; Jos. Hooper, Port Hope, Ont.; W. R. Adams, Toronto, and others.

The Secretary wishes us to say that Mr. H. Hechler has given the society some very valuable pointers.

The age limit and annual dues will be decided by vote, as well as the matter of official organ.

Each member will receive a copy of this issue and they should carefully preserve it, to save the Secretary the trouble of sending lists.

Where are the live Philatelists of Toronto?

Being requested by the Secretary of the C. P. A. to state our terms as an official organ, we would respectfully submit that we will give the C. P. A. the free use of our columns at any time and to any extent, and moreover, we will mail THE HALIFAX PHILATELIST free to each member of the Association, and furthermore we will, in order to induce a great number to join, make special low rates for advertising to those who are in any way connected with the C. P. A.

We are in possession of the 20 paras Turkey, which have been perforated from the right upper corner to the left lower one and used as ten paras—a surcharge of 10 in block figures used to denote the value.

POMPEY was sent to the post office with a letter, and money to pay the postage. When he came back he said, "I guess I did de ting pretty slick dat time." "How so?" said his boss. Pompey said, "I see'd a good many folks putting letters into the post office froo a hole, so I watched my chance, and den got mine in for noffen."

LARGEST ISLAND IN THE WORLD.

NEW GUINEA, THE LATEST ACQUISITION TO THE COLONIAL EMPIRE.—A TALK WITH MR. MUSGRAVE.

Anthony Musgrave, deputy commissioner of New Guinea, a son of Rev. B. Musgrave, of Aylesford, Kings, is on a visit to Nova Scotia, enroute for England, and is registered at the Halifax. Mr. Musgrave was for some years private secretary to his uncle, Sir Anthony Musgrave, governor of New Zealand, and was appointed deputy commissioner three years ago, six months after the declaration of the British protectorate. "New Guinea," said Mr Musgrave to a HERALD reporter, "is the latest acquisition to the colonial empire. It is the largest island in the world, its area being over 300,000 square miles, and is situated north of Australia and divided from that continent by the Torres strait, the well known pearl fishery ground. The chief characteristics of New Guinea are its natural resources. It lies within the tropics and abounds in most of the tropical products. Only a small portion of it is known. It is the great terra incognita of the world. The Australians are showing great enterprise in encouraging exploration parties. The natives are pure Papuans in the interior and on parts of the coast. On other sections they show a mixture of Malay blood. The population is estimated at 2,000,000. They are excellent fishermen—mullet, sea perch, bream, turtle and dugong. The Australians were afraid that this island would be absorbed by foreign powers and converted into convict stations, or used as a base for hostile forces. Queensland, which is the nearest to the island,

was so apprehensive on this point that it took the bold step in 1883 of annexing the eastern half of the island. This action was disallowed by the Imperial government, much to the disgust of the Australians, but in consequence of the unanimity of public opinion and the contribution of £15,000 to the expenses of the local administration, the imperial government despatched the commodore on the Australian station, to proclaim a protectorate over the south eastern quarter of the island, and the large and important groups of islands lying to the southeastward. This was in 1884, and in the same month the first special commissioner was appointed. The natives have accepted the situation, in so far as they understand it, with tolerable equanimity. It is expected that New Guinea will soon be created a crown colony. The Queensland premier, having, it is understood, negotiated arrangements to that effect, during the recent colonial conference in London. The probable policy will be to develop the resources of the island with Australian capital and encourage the civilization and Christianization of the natives —many of whom are cannibals, and are a ferocious, piratical and bloodthirsty crowd. A local police force will be required to maintain order. The present commissioner, Hon. John Douglass, C. M. G, was formerly premier of Queensland and is a well-known and popular resident of Australia.—*Halifax Herald*

Is it not nearly time the Postmaster General of Canada was thinking about giving us a change of stamps? It would not only be a sight for sore eyes but a heavy re-imbursement to the treasury.

ONLY AN ENVELOPE.

In the second last decade of this 19th century of rapid transit and instantaneous communication, it would seem rather absurd to say that it would take a letter three whole years to go from Canada to England. It did, however, in one instance, and from the appearance of the letter it has probably been sent and resent, and directed and redirected a dozen times, until at last it reached its destination.

The envelope bore originally the following address :—

MRS. FOLLINGSBY,
care J. B. Follingsby, Esq,
Bank of Montreal,
London, G. B.

This was written by a lady, and the only doubtful word in the caligraphy of the address is " London."

The first postmark is "Halifax, Canada, April —, 1884," the day of the month is indistinct. It then shows the following post office marks :

London, P. M. No —— (rest indistinct). A circle with 8.30, Ju. 7, 84 ;

London, E. C., M., No. 3, A. E. ;

London, 8, 14 No., 84 D.

Hamilton, Canada, 7 p. m., Nov. 3, 84 ;

Toronto, Ont., July–7, 84 ;

London, July — 87 ;

London, E.C., July 10, 87 ; and

Hastings Station office, E., Ju. 10, 87.

This letter, if it could speak, could tell of much swearing by post office clerks during its travel from Halifax to Toronto, thence to London, where the clerks sent it on the rounds of the great city. Then

it went back to Hamilton, Ontario, and got back to London, England, in Nov., 1884, and is then lost sight of till July, 1887, when it turns up with the London red postmark on it and a penny stamp.

The following endorsements are written on it, each scored out as another was made :

22 Abchurch Lane.
Toronto, Canada.
Again xd.
Probably London, England.
Try Halifax.

And on the back with the penny stamp, etc., Mrs. Follingsby, 16 Cornwallis Gardens, Hastings.

PERIODICALS—THEIR USE.

It is a certain fact that many so-called active and advanced collectors have no idea, or at best a very vague and uncertain one, of the real use of this current and interesting set. The Periodical or Newspaper stamps now in use, are used *solely* for second class matters, that they know, but just how, is the question. Some suppose that the stamps are placed upon the bundle of matter itself, but this is a mistaken idea. They are used in the following manner: There is a special clerk who has charge of the second class matter department. A parcel of periodical matter being brought in, is first weighed, and the requisite amount paid over in cash. Now this clerk has a special book consisting of receipt and stub. He fills out the receipt for the proper amount and places *on the stub* that amount in stamps. When the book is emptied of receipts and consequently the stubs are all filled out, the book is forwarded to Washington. These books, with the report of the clerk are sent to the Third Ass't Post-Master General at the end of every quarter. The stamps are cancelled and the books either put away for future reference or destroyed. This is the reason that one seldom if ever hears of used specimens. —*Amer. Phil. Record.*

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Of this number we send a few collectors more than one copy; which we respectfully ask them to hand to some collecting friend. We shall only send you one sample copy ; if you do not subscribe now, this number will be the last that you will receive. We shall not expect to get your subscription later by sending you another sample copy.

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THE stamp trade, although carried on as extensively as any other business, in fact some very large houses are to be found both in this country and away from home, is to a certain extent a trade peculiar to itself. Any other trade outside that of the stamp is more or less protected against loss by either commercial references through whichever channel they wish to enquire, or by recorded standing in mercantile agencies. In saying this we mean the majority of stamp dealers who have not a place of business in shape of a shop with counters and plate glass fronts. As of course in nearly every case the business is done through the mail, and therefor require at the most a spacious office, or what we often or perhaps most frequently see, a corner of the bedroom fitted with a fixture for the stock in trade. The dealer, as a rule, does not enjoy the confidence which in many cases he is entitled to. This state of things we can hardly see any remedy for as it happens too frequently that both dealer and buyer has misplaced their confidence. Taking up for instance Philatelic papers and looking over the advertisements, and especially European and Continental, we find the same stamps offered by different dealers at not anything like a uniform price. Unexperienced buyers will of course rush to his writing pad and dash off an order as large as his dollars will allow him without waiting for a moment to consider whether he is ever going to see any returns for his outlay. On the other hand again, some dealers, especially those young in business, are over anxious to extract from his "book of stamp collectors" names all around the world and ship off either a packet or approval sheet and thereby thinking he is forcing trade; the result of same is too often found to the dealer's disadvantage.

In speaking of this matter we do not for a moment contend that we are an exception, but in ventilating this question we would suggest to the trade in general to use a little more precaution as it is quite as impossible to procure at fair trade a pound of sugar for the price of a pound of sand, so is it equally impossible to procure a one shilling Nova Scotia stamp for the price of a Denmark 20 ore. The American continent is large and stamp dealers are plentiful, and, as a rule, honest and shrewd business men whose aim is to please all concerned, and

speaking from experience we consider it both convenient and profitable, moreover, just and right to patronize our home market, especially when the chances for fair treatment are in its favour. It is not in the spirit of contempt for European stamp dealers that we are writing as there are certainly a great many honorable dealers who are only too willing and ready to please their customers, nevertheless, the European continent from north to south abounds in unprincipled vendors whose study of the day and dreams of the night are how much they can "scoop" in. Philatelic papers ought to be well informed as to the standing of stamp dealers around their respective locality, and if any one should feel like taking advantage of advertisements, either to buy or sell, we think that if such party would apply to the organ of such place asking for any information relating to same, that it would be the duty of such organ to cheerfully furnish all particulars. This we think would at least be one way to bring about a more healthy atmosphere in the stamp trade. The stamp journals, on the other hand, should also exercise more care in their choice of advertisers, and not allowing a clean inch of space in exchange for a filthy amount of money.

Since the recent change of the Post Master General in the sale of postage stamps to the public, we learn that Mr. G. E. Morton, who has the sale of the same in the Post Office building in Halifax, is no more working on a commission but is getting a salary of $750 a year, so the *Recorder* says.

First issue of Young Canada to hand. Success to you.

It appears that the Gibraltar stamp is used in Algiers, as we wrote to a friend in Gibraltar some time ago to purchase at the post office some ½d. stamps, but not being able to procure any went across to Algiers and there secured the desired amount.

We have it from pretty good authority that Newfoundland is not going to have any new issue as was intended at least for some time to come. The new colours were ordered but by some mistake they were struck off in the old colours, and we are told enough of them are on hand to last at least one year.

Still another 2c. Canada registered, brown was received on a letter a few days ago by a party here in Halifax. The same party has written to the issueing post office for particulars and also with a view of procuring the remaining stock.

Mr. A. B. S. DeWolfe whose advertisement appears elsewhere has a few back numbers of the Halifax Philatelist on hand. We would advise our friends to procure the complete file of the first half year's issue, as they contain some excellent information from the pens of Messrs. H. Hechler and Theo. Larsen.

Write to Mr. DeWolfe for the first six numbers of the Halifax Philatelist containing a full history of watermarks and the best treatise on S. P. M. surcharges. Both invaluable to collectors.

Western Phil. P. Co. has our best thanks for a copy of the Chicago Tribune, containing matters relating to the A. P. A.

GIBRALTAR has only the 4d., 6d. and post cards left of the surcharged issue. All other values are of the new issue.

THE Hill-Chalmer's controversy is getting monotonous, but there is capital "filling" for some journals. That and minutes from Philatelic Societies seems to be nearly all we get in some of the should be A. 1. Journals.

MR. H. B. MASON, formerly of Washington, D. C., informs us that he has removed to Boston, Mass. His address is now Room 7, No. 403 Washington St., where he will be pleased to receive orders.

THE Philatelic *Journal* of America notices in its August number, 3 new surcharges from French Guiana—0.05 on 2c. green, 0.20 on 35c black and yellow, and 0.25 on 30c. brown.

WE were in hopes to be able to publish a chronicle of new issues of stamps, but not having completed arrangements for the same, we ask our readers indulgence for not having fulfilled our promise this month.

THE *Collectors' Review* for August is to hand, and in answer to the enquiry about our health, we are happy to state that we have never felt better than we do at this present moment. We not only live, but intend to live for a long time to come. We are sorry that our copies have not reached the *Collectors' Review*, but it is no wonder, as we find that the address in our mailing book appears Ohio, instead of Colo, which has since been corrected. The *C. R.* will kindly excuse the error.

MR. H. F. KETCHESON has favoured us with his catalogue of Canadian and Provincial stamps. It is very complete. Mr. Ketcheson's advertisement appears elsewhere.

QUITE frequently we have been asked to supply 1 penny P. E. Island in an unperforated condition. No doubt this enquiry comes from the fact that some catalogues represents such to have been issued. For the information of our friends we may say that none of the P. E. Island stamps were ever ordered to be put into circulation as unperforated.

MR. S. DEWOLFE is at present sojourning in the United States. He carried away with him a trunk full of good wishes which he is going to exchange for—well, say rare stamps. Mr. DeWolfe intends calling upon as many Philatelic friends as his time will permit.

As we have received a great many new advertisements for this issue, we look upon it as a sign that our friends are beginning to look upon the HALIFAX PHILATELIST as a fixture in the Philatelic fraternity. In thanking our friends for their support, we will assure them that we have come to stay, and also that we will make our appearance regularly every month. Any journal which combines two or more issues into one, we are inclined to regard as—well, say a little weak in the knees.

WITH the month of September the business revives, so don't forget that if you neglect to advertise in the HALIFAX PHILATELIST you may lose a great deal.

Correspondence.

THE C. P. A.

Now that the Canadian Philatelic Association seems to be an assured thing, let us hope that its organizers may guard against some of the errors that have grown up with our American sister, the A. P. A. The trouble the American Philatelic Association had over its official journal is yet fresh in our minds. We cannot forget the strife that was stirred up by the rival competitors for the position of official organ, and while we are thankful that it has been amicably quenched at the general Convention, let it be our endeavor to avoid a repetition of such a strife in our choice of the official organ of the Canadian Philatelic Association. There are at present, four Philatelic publications in existence in Canada, and a fifth will likely appear about the beginning of October. There is no doubt but that each one of these papers hopes that it may be the favored one. As far as I can find out, the terms offered by each publication are about alike, and as far as the contents of each paper is concerned, there is not a very great difference. The question these forms will be, Which of the five shall we vote for? A question, if answered from an unprejudiced point of view, of a difficult nature. It will be well for us to consider the financial strength of each paper, whether it is likely to live to a ripe age or destined to be as long mourned over as a missing friend, who was too weak to brave the storms of this cold world. We do not want to have to change our official organ two or three or more times in the year, but we want a paper for our official organ that will be able to brave the storms of many years, and one to which we will be enabled to look back to as a monument of Canadian Philatelic enterprise. We, Canadians, dearly love the fair land of our birth and we are anxious that any scheme upon which we enter should be a success, and marked with feelings of brotherly love and peace, not of discord and strife. Such then being our feelings, let us who are charter members of the C. P. A., when we are called upon to cast in our vote for the official organ of our Association, act deliberately and with caution, free from all prejudiced notions that this or that paper should be the official organ and feeling that upon our vote in this case, depends in a great degree, the harmony and well being of our Association.

YELOS (C. P. A. 10.)

A VERY interesting meeting took place on the 9th of Sept in Toronto, at the residence of Ed. Y. Parker, Esq., 47 Huron St.

The following collectors were present: Fred. J. Grenny, Brantford; H. Morell, Toronto; H. F. Ketcheson, Belleville, and Ed. Y. Parker, Toronto.

Mr. Grenny exhibited some rare Canadian and U. S. coins, and also some fine proofs of old Canada stamps. Mr. Parker exhibited his collection, which contained many fine stamps. The greater part of the evening was, however, taken up with relating interesting anecdotes and events that had befallen the various collectors present, during the time they had been collecting. The evening passed quickly away and it was midnight when the party broke up, and

each one remarked that "It was one of the most enjoyable evenings they had ever spent."

THE 1 and 2 cent (Canada) weights and measures stamps have been changed from blue to black, making the whole set of the same color.

THE (Canada) Gas Inspection stamps have been changed from light to dark blue.

L. W. DURBIN, DEAD.

IT is with deep sorrow we read of the death of Mr. L. W. Durbin, which took place at his residence at Burlington, N. J., on August 13th. There are very few stamp collectors who do not know the name of Durbin, as being connected with Philately for a number of years. As we were not personally acquainted with Mr. Durbin, we are not in a position to give him the just tribute to his memory which he is worthy of, but this much we can say, that with the death of Mr. Durbin, the Philatelic fraternity at large loses one of their most prominent members as well as a thoroughly reliable author, who was always willing to give a helping hand to Philatelic matters. We tender our sincere condolence to his family in this, their trying moment.

AFTER all that has been written regarding the Samoa stamps, we are still in doubt as to their being of any real postal value. We have recently received from a Hawaiian correspondent, specimens of the 2d, 4d, 1sh. and 2/6 stamps of the present issue, bearing the Apia postmark. The stamps were procured from the Samoan Consul at Honolulu.

ODD NOTES.

WE have seen the jubilee stamps used in the Levant.

MAMA! can I stick the stamp on your letter? Well, yes, I suppose you can as you have such a sweet tooth, but I can tell you if you don't leave off this hankering after sweeties, you will soon not have a tooth left in your head.

"DID you deliver the letter to Mr. Smith?" asked a gentleman of his servant. "Yes," said he, "but the man did not live in Water Street but across the common, not number 10 but number 115, not in the front but in the rear, he wasn't a mason but a minister, and his name wasn't Smith but O'Flaherty.

FILL up the ranks of the C. P. A. by sending your initiation fee of 25c. to Mr. J. R. Hooper, Sec. pro tem, 124 Slater St., Ottawa, Ont.

Join at once so as to have a vote at the coming election.

MR. F. J. GRENNY of Brantford, has a genuine used O'Connell stamp in his collection.

A GENTLEMAN told his servant to burn a handful of letters which were lying on the table. The servant asked to be allowed to retain a few of them for his own use. Surprised at this request, the gentleman asked him what he intended to do with them. Said he: "Oh, yes, when I left home my sweetheart asked me to send her a letter now and again. and as they are of no use to you, sir, and new and clean at that, I would thereby fulfil my promise to send her a letter now and again.

"BLACK LIST."

We have received a letter from Mr. J. A. Caron, St Luce Sta, Rimouski, in which he states that on February 11th, 1887: "I have forwarded a money order to the value of $7, to L. D. and J. K. Ferguson & Co., London, England. Also, on May 9th, 1887, I sent 50c. to Sayles A. Riptan of Marlboro', Mass. The two above amounts were to pay for stamps, and although I have written to them several times, I could get no answer."

We should advise all collectors to be very careful in dealing with the above two named firms.

From an article in a recent American paper we glean the following, regarding the stamps attributed to Corea, which may be of interest to our readers. The Progressionists had inaugurated a Postal system; and the necessary stamps and arrangements were made so as to conduct it according to foreign methods. The opening of the Post Office at Seoul, and the inauguration of the scheme was the event which precepted the *emeute* and ended in the overthrow of the Liberal party. The Post Office was burned, the postmaster beheaded, and the large and excellent assortment of stamps that had been printed in Japan at a great cost, have since been sold as curiosities.

It is calculated that during the last 12 months, the people of this country have individually and severally put their tongues out 1,968,341,000 times to moisten the postage stamps for the billions of letters and millions of newspapers, periodicals and parcels that are carried and delivered by the government. And yet 45 years ago there wasn't a postage stamp in the United States.—*Buffulo Courier.*

The following increase in the number of Post Offices in the Dominion of Canada from 1867 to 1887, will, no doubt, be of interest to our readers to know.

1st July,	1867	2333
"	1868	3638
1st Jan.,	1870	3756
"	1871	3820
"	1872	3943
"	1873	4135
"	1874	4518
"	1875	4706
"	1876	4892
"	1877	5015
"	1878	5161
"	1879	5378
"	1880	5606
"	1881	5935
"	1882	6171
"	1883	6395
"	1884	6475
"	1885	6851
"	1886	7114
"	1887	7322

The stamps that we pay two cents a piece for cost the Government but seven cents a thousand. The Government evidently wants the earth.—*Puck.*

Occasional gatherings of Halifax Philatelists are being held. As soon as the C. P. A. has its Constitution formed, Halifax will at once form a branch society adopting the regulations of the C. P. A. That is the way Halifax feels at present.

We are anxiously looking for our Toronto Brother.

We are also looking for the second issue of *Young Canada.*

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